

REMARKS

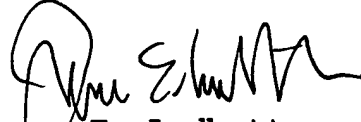
Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Office Action that claims 1, 9, and 10 are allowed and claim 13 is allowable. The features of allowable claim 13 have been integrated into base claim 12, and claim 13 has been cancelled. Therefore, the rejection applied to claim 12 has been obviated and allowance of claim 12 is warranted.

Withdrawn claims 2-8, 11, and 14 have been canceled.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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